

NOTES FOR GEORGIA TECH PRESIDENT G. WAYNE CLOUGH
Campus Update, Georgia Tech Alumni Clubs, Fall of 2007

Fall semester

- Move-in smooth
 - North Ave Apts add apartment option, commend Housing's effort to prepare.
 - Can now house over 53% of student body on campus (compared to 25-35% average for publics)
- Fall enrollment:
 - Will not know a definite number until dust settles on registration, but definitely a record.
 - Expect will surpass 18,500.
 - Driven by record grad enrollment – likely above 6,000.
- Freshmen – very bright as usual, a couple points of interest:
 - 32% female
 - Top majors – BMED, ME, Mgt., AE, CS. Interesting: BMED (relatively new), CS (back after dot-com bust)
- Convocation/parents dinner = promoting family interaction with GT.

Georgia Tech Promise – as of Aug 13:

- 196 students: 139 returning, 12 transfers, 45 freshmen
- Average family income: \$22,750 (5 are orphans or wards of the state with no family income)
- From 89 communities across the state
- 128 men, 68 women
- 78 whites, 64 Asians, 38 African Americans, 12 Hispanics, 1 native American (3 mixed or unknown)
- Average freshman SAT – 1322; average returning student GPA – 3.11

Rankings

- #7 among publics; highest ever
- Undergrad engineering joins grad engineering in top 5
 - ISyE retains #1 ranking
 - All undergrad disciplines in top 10 except ChBE, which was ranked #11 (4 in the top 5)
- Business did well in specialties
 - Quantitative analysis - #8
 - Production/operations management - #10
 - Management of information systems - #15
- GT listings in “Programs to look for”
 - Internships/co-op program
 - Undergraduate research

Retention/graduation rates

- Graduation rate for past year (fall commencement of '06 through summer commencement of '07) – 78%

- Retention rate – will know for sure when the dust settles on fall enrollment in a week or so, but expect 92% of last year's freshmen to be back.

Diversity

- *Diverse: Issues in Higher Education* ranks GT #1 in nation for graduating African American engineers (#1 in bachelor's, Ph.D.; #2 in master's)
- GT graduates 10% of nation's African American Ph.D.s in engineering

Graduates in demand

- Last academic year – 550 corporate recruiters conducted nearly 10,000 job interviews on campus
- Fall career fair (Sept) is the BIG event:
 - Over 200 corporate recruiters each day for 2 days (over 400 recruiters total)
 - Sold out space in less than 3 weeks (a record)

Research – FY 07

- Record awards: \$374 million
- Record expenditures: no final number yet, but expect about \$470 million

Facilities

- Marcus Nano Bldg on schedule, on budget
- Old CE renovation underway
- Regents include Undergrad Learning Center in budget request to Governor

Campaign

- Fund raising on target according to projections (\$436 million as of July 31st)
- Tech reputation strong, alumni bullish
- GT's stock is high with corporations
- Next generation of alumni making significant contributions – monetary and in time/effort.

Athletics

- Great year for women's teams
 - Tennis – NCAA Championship, indoor championship; Bryan Shelton is Intercollegiate Tennis Association National Coach of the Year. Congratulated by Pres Bush in White House visit.
 - Softball – set school record of most wins in a single season – 54 – which got team into NCAA regional tournament. Team also set ACC single season records in team batting average, home runs, RBIs, total bases, slugging percentage, runs scored.
- NCAA certification process
 - Visiting team comes in September
 - Will learn results in late winter/early spring